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Honorable Assistant Commissioner  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REMARKS**

Sir:

Prior to the examination on the merits of this application filed in connection with the accompanying Request for Continued Examination, please amend the application as follows: